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work, county and rural health work and specialized forms of health work.

ITEMS

Brooklyn, N. Y.—During the week of May 1st, Brooklyn held a Health Week which began with talks on health subjects at the Sunday evening services of the churches in all sections of the city. At the same time, the New York State Medical Society held its 115th annual meeting. The Public Health Exposition, in connection with the meeting, was a novelty this year and was held during four days in the Twenty-third Regiment Armory. The health and welfare organizations with particularly interesting booths were: The American Red Cross, the American Society for the Control of Cancer, the Brooklyn Hospital, the Department of Public Welfare, the Department of Health, the Good Samaritan Dispensary, Long Island College Hospital, Methodist Episcopal Hospital, the National Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, the National League for Women's Service, the Association for the Prevention and Relief of Heart Disease, and the Visiting Nurse Association of Brooklyn. It was considered one of the largest health exhibits ever shown, and during the four days and nights approximately 100,000 persons, including members of the medical profession, as well as laymen, attended the exhibition.

One of the most interesting features was the exhibit of the Visiting Nurse Association, which desired to place the work vividly before the Brooklyn public, and a novel plan was worked out, with the assistance of an artist, to have a continuous picture of the nurse in action. A large frame was placed on a raised platform. The inner side of the frame was encircled with electric lights and stretched across the front was a piece of black net to soften the effect. The background represented the front entrance of a tenement house. The doorway, painted green, contrasted well with the red brick walls, making an artistic setting. In the frame a nurse, in full uniform, posed with hand raised in the act of knocking. So well did the nurses simulate inanimate figures that the interested onlookers were deceived by the illusion until the nurse walked out of the frame. The nurses posed in turn throughout the afternoon and evening during the four days of the exhibit. There was always a large, interested audience and a keen desire on the part of most observers to know more about the work of the Association and how the nurse could be secured. The visiting nurse was visualized forever in the minds of the Brooklyn public and from a publicity standpoint it was a great success. The booth was donated by the New York State Medical Society, to the Association, which reduced materially the cost of the exhibit. The entire expenditure was less than \$80. At the close of the exposition, it was conceded that the entire State Medical Society exhibit had been a success and it is hoped that it will be repeated year by year in the various cities where the meeting is held.

A VACATION SUGGESTION

If you are going to drink water in the country, get your druggist to give you a bottle containing a solution of one grain of full strength chlorinated lime to 40 drops of water. Then 10 drops of this solution put into a quart of water and allowed to stand for at least two hours will make that water safe for drinking. —*From June Health Bureau Bulletin, Rochester, N. Y.*